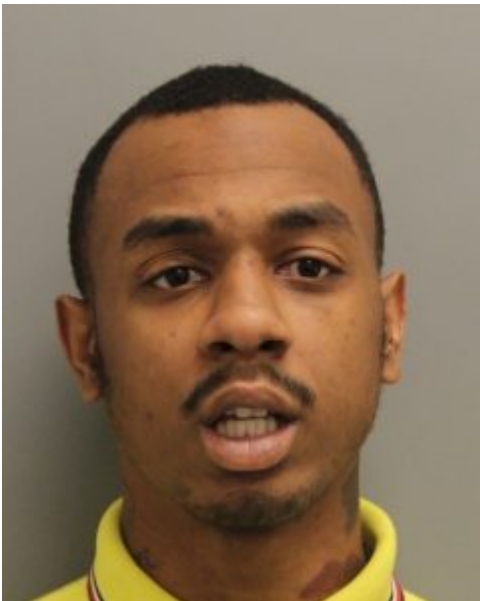


# Traffic Stop Leads to Drug and Weapon Charges-Harrington



Nathan Sample



Eric R. McDonald

**Harrington-** The Delaware State Police have arrested two suspects after a traffic stop led to the discovery of drugs and a weapon.

The incident occurred on September 5, 2019 at approximately 2:04 p.m., when Troopers observed a Honda Civic blocking the flow of traffic on Mill Street, Harrington. A traffic stop

was initiated and contact was made with the driver, 18-year-old **Nathan Sample** of Felton, DE and passenger, 21-year-old **Eric R. McDonald** of Richmond, VA. During the course of the traffic stop, an odor of marijuana was detected, and it was learned through a computer inquiry that both subjects had active capias'.

A subsequent search of the vehicle was conducted and the following was located:

- Approximately 144.6 grams of Marijuana
- Drug paraphernalia
- Over \$600.00 in suspected drug proceeds
- A Hi-Point 9mm Rifle

Sample and McDonald were transported back to Troop 3 where they were charged with the following:

**Nathan Sample:**

- Possession With Intent To Deliver a Controlled Substance with an Aggravating Factor
- Possession of a Firearm by a Person Prohibited
- Possession of a Deadly Weapon by a Person Prohibited Who Also Possesses Controlled Substance
- Conspiracy Second Degree
- Possession of Marijuana
- Driving While Suspended
- No person shall stop, stand, or park where obstruct free passage of traffic

Sample was arraigned before the Justice of the Peace Court and committed to the Sussex Correctional Institution on \$21,000.00 secured bond.

**Eric McDonald:**

- Possession With Intent To Deliver a Controlled Substance with an Aggravating Factor

- Possession of a Deadly Weapon by a Person Prohibited Who Also Possesses Controlled Substance
- Conspiracy Second Degree
- Possession of Marijuana

McDonald was arraigned before the Justice of the Peace Court and committed to the Sussex Correctional Institution on \$25,500.00 secured bond.

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